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For: Utility Device for a Container of Liquid
Matter

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Examiner: Kareen Kay Rush

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(d), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS		
DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME
4,095,710	06/20/1978	Umberto
6,013,230	01/11/2000	Kuchar
6,601,728	08/05/2003	Newkirk et al.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS		
DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY
CH 275 038	04/30/1951	Switzerland
FR 2 673 606	09/11/1992	France
GB 375560	06/30/1932	Great Britain

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(3)). It is believed that the relevance of CH275098 is that it shows a container having a tube connected to the container. It is believed that the relevance of FR2673606 is that Figs. 20-22 show a container with a removable spoon and that Figs. 23 and 24 show what appears to be a straw and a container.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 CFR §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 CFR §1.56(a).

Applicant has further calculated a processing fee in the amount of \$180.00 to be due under 37 CFR §1.17(p) in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Applicant authorizes charging the \$180.00 fee to deposit account 23-1925, as indicated in the Transmittal accompanying this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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